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- (6) English translated Specification with Figures 1-3 (14 pgs.);
- (7) Declaration with Patent Application Data Sheet (PTO-01A 3 pgs.);
- (8) Power of Attorney (PTO-81 1 pg.);
- (9) Information Disclosure Statement (PTO-08A 3 pgs.);
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- (11) Return receipt postcard.

Respectfully submitted,

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DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)					
	10/579,888						
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP2004/012291	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 29 October 2004 (29.10.2004)	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 18 November 2003 (18.11.2003)					
TITLE OF INVENTION PACKING							
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US KIEPE, Thomas							
Applicant herewith submits to the United S	tates Designated/Elected Office (DO/EC	O/US) the following items and other information:					
1. This is a FIRST submission of items of	oncerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371						
2. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT	submission of items concerning a submission	n under 35 U.S.C. 371.					
3.	tional examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 37	1(f)). The submission must include items					
4. L The US has been elected (Article 31).							
5. A copy of the International Application	on as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))						
a. is attached hereto (require	d only if not communicated by the Internation	nal Bureau).					
b. has been communicated b	y the International Bureau.						
	lication was filed in the United States Receive	ing Office (RO/US).					
	ne International Application as filed (35 U.S.C	C. 371(c)(2)).					
a. 🔀 is attached hereto.							
b. has been previously subm	itted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).						
7. Amendments to the claims of the Int	ernational Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))					
a. are attached hereto (requ	ired only if not communicated by the Internat	tional Bureau).					
b. have been communicated	d by the International Bureau.						
c. have not been made; how	c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.						
d. have not been made and	d. have not been made and will not be made.						
8. An English language translation of t	An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).						
9. An oath or declaration of the invento	An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).						
10. An English language translation of the Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).	An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).						
Items 11 to 20 below concern document(Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:						
11. X An Information Disclosure Statemen	t under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.	references attached					
12. An assignment document for record	An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.						
13. A preliminary amendment.	A preliminary amendment.						
14. An Application Data Sheet under 37	An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.						
15. A substitute specification.	A substitute specification.						
16. X A power of attorney and/or change of	A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.						
17. A computer-readable form of the sec	A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825.						
18. A second copy of the published Inter	A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).						
19. A second copy of the English langua	ge translation of the international application	under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).					

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- Translation of the application into English. Note a processing fee will be required if submitted later than 30 months from the priority date.
- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

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